Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 20 Aug 2020 until 23:59 on Friday 21 Aug 2020

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 19 Aug 2020 at 16:19 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for the changeable and often windy conditions. Medium for rainfall details.

Headline for Thursday 20 Aug 2020: Bright but windy

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 20 Aug 2020

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light rain	Heavy Rain	Light rain	Cloudy	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Light rain	Light rain
Precipitation probability							
60%	60%	60%	30%	20%	20%	40%	40%

Forecast for Thursday 20 Aug 2020

Weather: Cloudy with outbreaks of heavy rain overnight. Rain clearing Glencoe and Lochaber around dawn. Otherwise bright with some sunny spells and just a scattering of showers. However, it will be windy with gales over the summits. Showers could become heavy and persistent later in the evening with a risk of thunderstorms especially the west coast and Mull.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 70% for much of the day, patchy cloud near or above the summits at times around showers. However, 30% in the early morning particularly around Lochaber, extensive cloud with bases 600 to 900m.

Visibility: Mostly very good or excellent, but moderate in rain or showers and occasionally poor or very poor over the summits.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	49/62 E	45/57 SE	52/67 SE	49/63 S	45/60 S	44/59 S	44/58 SE	43/57 SE	44/59 SE
900	37/50 E	32/44 SE	38/53 SE	34/46 S	33/47 S	33/47 S	32/45 SE	30/43 SE	31/46 SE
600	42/52 E	35/45 E	44/57 S	40/53 S	37/50 S	36/49 S	35/47 SE	34/46 SE	36/49 SE
300	16/27 E	19/31 SE	23/36 SE	23/36 S	25/40 S	25/40 S	22/36 SE	19/33 SE	20/35 SE
Glen	15/26 NE	10/22 E	14/31 SE	17/34 S	20/39 S	19/38 S	15/32 S	14/32 SE	15/35 SE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	9/3	9/4	6/-1	6/-2	8/2	9/3	8/2	8/2	7/1
900	11/6	12/7	9/4	9/4	11/6	12/8	11/7	10/6	10/6
600	14/8	14/8	12/7	12/7	14/8	15/9	14/9	14/8	13/8
300	16/13	16/12	14/10	14/10	16/12	17/12	16/12	16/12	15/11
Glen	18/15	18/16	16/14	16/13	19/14	20/15	18/16	17/15	16/14
Freezing Level*	3500m	3000m	2200m	2300m	2500m	2400m	2600m	2600m	2600m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Summit winds gusting severe gales at times, mainly on Thursday morning, making for very tough walking conditions at height.

Forecast for Friday 21 Aug 2020
Weather: Mostly cloudy with showers or longer outbreaks of rain, heavy at times with a risk of thunderstorms. Occasional drier and brighter spells.

Maximum wind: Southeast veering Southwest 20 to 30mph gusting 40-50mph, winds slowly easing in the afternoon.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 40%, extensive cloud bases 600 to 900m

Visibility: Moderate in rain or showers, occasionally poor or very poor at height. Otherwise very good.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 12 rising to 19 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 6 to 10 Celsius
Freezing level: Above the summits.

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